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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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with request for urgent debate
pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on the DEATH OF THOUSANDS OF KAMPUCHEAN CHILDREN

The European Parliament,

- concerned at the tragic situation of thousands of children dying each day on Kampuchean territory and in refugee camps in Thailand for want of food and proper care,
 - recalling its resolutions on respect for human rights,
 - referring to its debate on the tragedy of the Kampuchean children,
 - aware of the declarations on children made by national and international organizations during the International Year of the Child,
1. Calls upon the governments of the Member States to undertake to accept a number of children to be entrusted to families expressing a desire to look after such children;
 2. Asks also that the governments use their best endeavours both to receive family members, where the latter desire to be received in third countries, and to reunite children with their parents where such is the latter's wish;
 3. Requests its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the governments of the Member States.

JUSTIFICATION OF THE REQUEST FOR URGENT DEBATE

In the last few weeks the situation of thousands of families and children on Kampuchean territory has reached tragic proportions. Every day thousands of children are dying, either murdered by the Kampuchean regime or, if they survive the genocide, dying of hunger or for want of proper care.